GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1270
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Import of Tyres/Radial Tyres
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

a) the details of tyre/radial tyres including those of trucks and buses imported into the country during the last three years and the current year, year and country-wise;

b) whether there is a rise in the imports of cheap tyres/radial tyres into the country particularly from China;

c) if so, whether the Tyre Industry has urged the Government to take measures to curb the cheap imports of radial tyres into the country;

d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and

e) the steps taken by the Government to protect the domestic tyre industry?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) and (b) The details of tyre/radial tyres including those of trucks and buses imported into the country during the last three years and the current year and country-wise are at Annex: I and II, which includes China related figures separately.

(c) to (e): Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association [ATMA] has requested putting import of Truck/Bus Radial Tyres in the restricted list, prohibiting import of tyres without BIS marking, commencing investigation on dumping of tyres from China and increasing customs duty on tyres.

The import of tyres is subject to Pneumatic Tyres and Tubes for Automotive Vehicles (Quality Control) Order, 2009 and BIS standards. The import of retreaded tyres is also 'restricted' (can only be imported against a license) unless it fulfills Minimum Import Price (MIP) criterion. Further, the Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties (DGAD) is examining petitions for initiation of anti-dumping and anti-subsidy duty investigations on imports of Bus and Truck Radial Tyres from China. Moreover, Customs field formations have been instructed to enforce Pneumatic Tyres & Tubes for Automotive Vehicles [Quality Control] Order, 2009 strictly and to restrict import of tyres without BIS marking.
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Annex I
INDIA"S IMPORT OF TYRES
(VALUES IN US $ Million)
ITC (HS) ITEM DESCRIPTION 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16(APR TO SEP)

4011 NEW PNEUMATIC TYRES, OF RUBBER 468 404.85 424.69 241.01
4012 RETREADED OR USED PNEUMATIC TYRES OF RUBBER, SOLID OR CUSHION TYRES,TYRE TREADS AND TYRE FLAPS, OF RUBBER 9.81 10.07 10.24 5.25
Grand Total 477.42 414.93 434.93 246.27

IMPORT OF TYRES FROM CHINA
ITC (HS) ITEM DESCRIPTION 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16(APR TO SEP)

4011 NEW PNEUMATIC TYRES, OF RUBBER 85.99 101.27 157.65 119.97
4012 RETREADED OR USED PNEUMATIC TYRES OF RUBBER, SOLID OR CUSHION TYRES,TYRE TREADS AND TYRE FLAPS, OF RUBBER 2.78 2.18 1.47 1.6
Grand Total 88.77 103.45 159.12 121.56
Annex II
COUNTRY-WISE IMPORT OF TYRES
(VALUES IN US $)
COUNTRY 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16(APR TO SEP)
AUSTRALIA 178954 277812 285432 209694
AUSTRIA 75921 99776 128243 69776

BAHARAIN IS 0 2200 733 0
BANGLADESH PR 134342 113179 638 0
BELARUS 251680 96011 0 0
BELGIUM 111407 24939 5263 18642
BRAZIL 8633777 5779426 9110689 7016990
CANADA 332908 288352 531568 452624
CHILE 0 0 11559 0
CHINA P RP 88770284 103451565 159120382 121563795
COLOMBIA 0 0 5316 0
COSTA RICA 1790 0 1444 0
CZECH REPUBLIC 531370 303852 680796 483603
DENMARK 108977 60041 118938 37603
EGYPT A RP 4446 548921 1207433 489305
ESTONIA 1911 0 0 0
FINLAND 12086 0 12790 6515
FRANCE 39863229 8044579 6114084 3715097
GERMANY 11759238 16805942 15868902 9959592
GREECE 337 0 38123 0
HONG KONG 5633079 6603527 3411499 693653
HUNGARY 0 121230 7139 2441
INDONESIA 5976967 3198713 7282778 4001086
IRAN 73 0 0 0
IRELAND 6243 0 4752 1302
ISRAEL 18256 7439 10340 5648
ITALY 272651 232718 267767 436669
JAPAN 70425388 60164071 60996133 24173388
KENYA 0 0 0 220
KOREA DP RP 67040 24087 163 0
KOREA RP 34158134 24924180 14828985 4589342
LATVIA 0 7180 0 0
LITHUANIA 120011 0 0 0
LUXEMBOURG 0 1735 152982 8343
MALAYSIA 558208 2556244 1823967 443441
MALDIVES 0 0 0 192
MEXICO 15885 7259 28325 46106
NETHERLAND 1899025 795128 1028795 709315
NETHERLANDANTIL 0 0 16595 0
NIGERIA 0 101 0 0
NORWAY 0 0 0 1908
OMAN 0 0 1053 4184
PAKISTAN IR 12058 0 534 0
PHILIPPINES 5928149 7223272 7170753 239578
POLAND 13168 340570 439111 357724
PORTUGAL 398971 335048 584675 138672
QATAR 0 0 0 1215
ROMANIA 6273265 6183981 1287391 616548
RUSSIA 48913 14511 8232 9815
SAUDI ARAB 3662 14679 623 374
SERBIA 0 0 0 8438
SINGAPORE 841676 930857 1046920 705466
SLOVAK REP 955087 208375 2052 125075
SLOVENIA 72336 52418 20485 10038
SOUTH AFRICA 2306911 1182068 687793 98390
SPAIN 63719820 54400497 26852783 7493154
SRI LANKA DSR 6536083 6824242 8372822 3010709
SWEDEN 67479 120257 244616 149965
SWITZERLAND 41952 11290 8119 1590
TAIWAN 26616717 8689237 2550614 1056622
TANZANIA REP 0 517 0 0
THAILAND 68117140 54377130 58078050 30047673
TUNISIA 0 3896 624 2191
TURKEY 1064059 857968 908348 652696
U ARAB EMTS 1029859 1416720 1272100 208244
U K 5126474 10531342 16232691 7161864
U S A 10744160 21068462 13016085 7807132
UKRAINE 3485707 1944279 2219064 69729
UNSPECIFIED 8823 1424 1636 55030
VIETNAM SOC REP 4085640 3653440 10824078 7099711
Grand Total 477421726 414926687 434933805 246268117
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